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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 7350**  
Masahiko KURODA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2006\_0025A  
Serial No. 10/564,481 : Group Art Unit 1609  
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METHODS FOR DIAGNOSING : **Mail Stop: AMENDMENT**  
ENDOMETRIOSIS-RELATED DISEASES

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 23, 2007, Applicants hereby elect the invention identified as Group I (claims 1 and 6-9, drawn to a method for diagnosing an endometriosis-related disease).

Upon allowance of the elected claims, the Examiner is requested to consider the possibility of rejoinder per M.P.E.P. § 821.04.

Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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